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serve to fulfil the purpose for which it was written, to meet the needs of the author's own classes, but it is doubtful whether it will be very helpful generally. It is more of a case book, perhaps, than anything else; yet, by reason of its great condensation, it furnishes but a scant basis for that practice in legal reasoning which is the chief glory of the case system. Nevertheless, what few cases Mr. Ashley has printed in full are well selected. For example, under the title of third persons as beneficiaries are given the three leading cases of *Dutton v. Poole*, *Lawrence v. Fox*, and *Buchanan v. Tilden*. Likewise his condensations and practice examples are well chosen. They present much that is suggestive to one who is already conversant with the principles of the law of contracts. To be useful as an aid to the first study of the subject, however, the book would apparently need to be liberally supplemented in the lecture room by elaborate explanations on the part of the instructor.

HAMILTON'S NEW YORK NEGLIGENCE CASES CLASSIFIED. 1899 Annual. A complete Collection of all Reported Negligence Cases Decided by all the New York State Courts from Jan. 1, 1899, to Jan. 1, 1900. Edited by T. F. Hamilton of the New York Bar. Albany, N. Y. : Matthew Bender. 1900. pp. xi, 179. This is the second supplement to Hamilton's New York Negligence Cases, Classified, and brings the work up to date. The cases are arranged according to the facts, which are very fully given. There is appended a table of cases, but there is no index of the points of law involved. Even a brief index of these would probably have greatly increased the value of the book to the practicing lawyer. Notwithstanding what seems to be a defect, the book bears evidence of careful preparation and is likely to prove useful. It certainly has a legitimate place among legal publications.

THE RIGHTS, DUTIES, REMEDIES, AND INCIDENTS BELONGING TO AND GROWING OUT OF THE RELATION OF LANDLORD AND TENANT. By David McAdam. In two volumes. Vol. I. Third Edition. New York: Remick Schilling & Co. 1900. pp. xiii, 856. *Review will follow.*

JOURNAL OF THE SOCIETY OF COMPARATIVE LEGISLATION. Edited for the Society by John Macdonnell and Edward Manson. New Series. 1900. No. 1. London: John Murray. 1900. pp. 192.

REPUBLIC OR EMPIRE?—An Argument in Opposition to the Establishment of an American Colonial System. By James W. Stillman. Boston: George E. Ellis. 1900. pp. 30.

THE LAW OF ELECTRIC WIRES IN STREETS AND HIGHWAYS. By Edward Quinton Keasbey. Second Edition. Chicago: Callaghan & Co. 1900. pp. xlv, 358. *Review will follow.*